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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, OSR

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**SUBJECT** 

: Exploitation of Soviet 50th Anniversary Parades

- I. The Communist Bloc Military Parades this November may be of considerable significance since they mark the 50th Anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution. Celebrations are already being planned throughout the USSR and East Europe, though, of course, it is still too early for firm indications of what military equipment will be paraded.
- 2. Activities of the Information Requirements Staff dealing with parades usually fall into three categories: (I) the formulation and levying of requirements, and the review of collection procedures and plans with individual collectors; (2) coordination of certain special collection projects; and (3) exploration and follow-through of Agency and non-Agency exploitation procedures to ensure that all information collected is processed on a timely basis and promptly delivered to appropriate Agency analysts.

3. In connection with this first category of activities, we will very soon be asking appropriate Agency analysts for contributions to the basic SICR (Requirement) of the Moscow parade. Any contributions from analysts in your Office will be combined with those from other Offices, and the CIA requirement package will be returned to all contributors for final review, before

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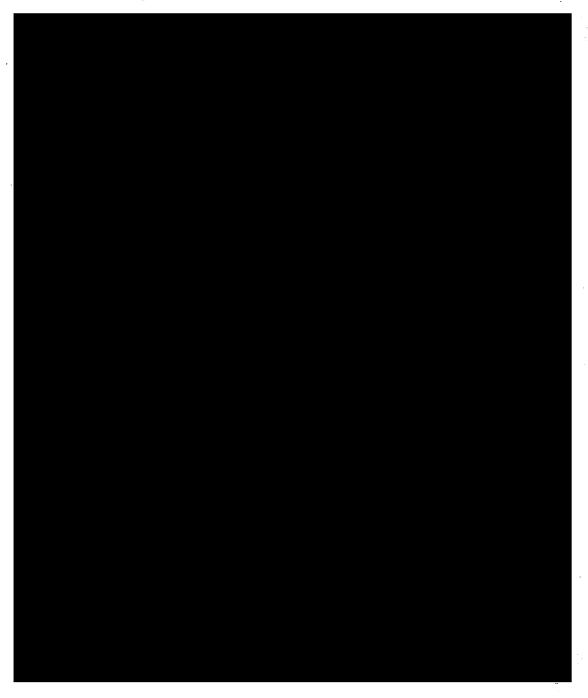
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it is levied on DIA. has in the past requested that the combined CIA-DOD requirement reach his office no later than 1 October so that collection plans can be finalized and appropriate assignments made.

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- 5. Interested analysts in your Office will be kept informed of all significant developments affecting collection and exploitation related to the parade. Questions or comments on this subject may be directed on Extension 4273 or Red 1631.
- 6. We are aware, of course, that in addition to the Military Parades, there are a number of other possible significant developments that might be related to the November Celebrations. These range from announcements of interesting personnel changes to space spectaculars; from the promulgation of a new Constitution to some sort of limited international "conference" of selected communist parties. We will follow such projected developments with care, consult with appropriate analysts, and as the occasion warrants, levy requirements on selected collectors. We invite any suggestions and comments from your Office in this regard.

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